

## NASB State Board Candidate Questionnaire 2024



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1. **Local Control** - With so many decisions from the legislature impacting local boards, NASB is interested in your view of local control. Regarding education, what decisions do you feel are best made at the school board level vs. the State level?

Most decisions are best at the local level. Different school districts have different needs and wants.

2. **School Funding** - Every year the legislature makes decisions about the way schools are funded, making predictability of funding a challenge. What changes and/or adjustments, if any, do you think the Legislature should address?

The constant messing with the funding is making it very difficult to do meaningful long term planning and it makes everyone nervous. The Legislature should strive for stable state funding that allows districts to allocate their funds as they need. Or the Leg could do something like create a building fund like other states.

3. **Role of Education in the State** - What role do you think PK-12 Education plays in the future success of the State and your community?

It is the backbone of all communities in the state. Without a strong public school system all of our communities will suffer.

4. **Educational Workforce** - Educational workforce continues to be a challenge across the State from teachers to bus drivers. What would be your plan to address this challenge?

We have to address affordable housing and childcare. We have to support all of our staff and I think that those two things would have the biggest impact.

5. **Mandates** - School districts continue to be challenged by the increasing unfunded mandates put upon them by the State and Federal government. What is your response to mandates and the State's role in them?

Unfunded mandates are the devil. There should not be any more passed.

### **Final Thoughts**

It is my work with the NASB that has prepared me and inspired me to run for the legislature. We need public school supporters and common-sense leadership in the

legislature, and I will be an informed, passionate supporter of public education on the legislature.

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